

CHAPTER 55.

500,000 ACRE GRANT.

AN ACT to authorize the Governor to settle the excess over 500,000 acres of land selected by the State of Iowa under the 8th section of the Act of Congress approved September 4th, 1841, entitled an Act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands, and to grant pre-emption rights, and to re-convey the unsold excess of such lands to the United States.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That the Governor of the State is hereby authorized and empowered to settle and adjust with the proper department of the General Government the quantity of land to which the State of Iowa is entitled under the provisions of the 8th section of the Act of Congress approved September 4th, 1841, entitled "An Act to appropriate the proceeds of the sales of the public lands and to grant pre-emption rights." And that he is further authorized and empowered, in the name of the State of Iowa, to execute and affix the seal of the State to proper Letters Patent, re-conveying to the United States the excess of land certified by the General Government to the State of Iowa, under the provisions of said Act of Congress, which have not been sold by the State of Iowa.

Authorizing the Governor to settle and adjust the excess of land with the general government, and to re-convey to the general government.

SEC. 2. That said Governor is further authorized and empowered to settle and adjust with the proper Department of the General Government for the conveyance by said General Government to this State of all the lands sold by this State that were certified to the State under the provisions of said Act of Congress, which were in excess of the quantity of land granted to the State by said act of Congress, and stipulate for the payment of the amount of money to which the General Government may be entitled for, the same.

Approved March 22d, 1862.

CHAPTER 56.

STATE LAND OFFICE.

AN ACT further defining the duties of the Register of the State Land Office.

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of*

the State of Iowa, That the Register of the State Land Office is hereby authorized, empowered and required to correct all errors and discrepancies in the descriptions of tracts of lands conveyed by the State to any parties found upon the records in said office, upon proper evidence that such errors exist. Register re-
quired to cor-
rect errors.

SEC. 2. That said Register be required to attach a marginal note to each conveyance, briefly setting forth the error to be corrected, and the reason for such correction, and record the same with the original deed attaching his name and the date of correction. Attach mar-
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cord the same

SEC. 3. That such correction when made in accordance with the foregoing provisions, shall have all the force and effect in law as a deed made out originally correct. Effect of cor-
rection.

SEC. 4. All laws conflicting with this Act are hereby repealed.

Approved March 22, 1862.

CHAPTER 57.

LEGALIZING ACTS OF E. A. ALEXANDER.

AN ACT to legalize the acts of E. A. Alexander, Notary Public.

WHEREAS on the 15th day of April, A. D. 1861, E. A. Alexander, of Buchanan County, Iowa, was appointed by Samuel J. Kirkwood, Governor of the State of Iowa, Notary Public, in and for Buchanan County, and

WHEREAS Section 207, Chapter 16 of the Revision of 1860, requires that the Commission issued to the Notary shall be recorded by the Recorder of Deeds for his county, and

WHEREAS by accident the Commission of said Alexander was not recorded until the twenty-second day of February, A. D. 1862, while in all other respects the requirements of the law were fully complied with, and

WHEREAS the said Alexander has performed several official acts as Notary, prior to the record of his commission, now therefore,

SECTION 1. *Be it enacted by the General Assembly of the State of Iowa*, That each and every act of the said E. A. Alexander, a Notary Public, shall have the same force and effect, in law and equity, as if the law in Sec. Legalizing
Notarial acts
of E. H. Al-
lender.